Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP13-552-000 and Docket No. CP13-553-000]

Sabine Pass Liquefaction Expansion, LLC; Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC; Sabine Pass LNG, L.P; Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P.;

Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Sabine Pass Liquefaction Expansion Project and Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline Expansion Project

December 12, 2014.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for the Sabine Pass Liquefaction Expansion Project (SPLE Project) proposed by for Sabine Pass Liquefaction Expansion, LLC; Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC; and Sabine Pass LNG, L.P. (collectively referred to as Sabine Pass), and for the and Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline Expansion Project (CCTPL Expansion Project) proposed by Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline, L.P. (CCTPL) in the above-referenced dockets. Sabine Pass requests authorization to expand the existing Sabine Pass Liquefied Natural Gas (SPLNG) Terminal in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, by adding two liquefaction trains (Trains 5 and 6) capable of processing about 1.4 billion cubic feet per day (Bcf/d) of natural gas and to export about 9 million metric tons of liquefied natural gas (LNG) per annum via LNG carriers. CCTPL requests authorization to expand and extend the existing CCTPL pipeline system to enable it to provide an additional 1.5 Bcf/d of transportation capacity to the SPLNG Terminal. The CCTPL Expansion Project would add about 104.3 miles of 42- and 36-inch-diameter pipeline, including two loops (Loop 1 and Loop 2), an Extension, and three laterals; a new compressor station; and four metering and regulating (M&R) stations. These facilities would be in Cameron, Calcasieu, Beauregard, Allen, and Evangeline Parishes, Louisiana.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the SPLE Project and CCTPL Expansion Project in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The FERC staff concludes that approval of the proposed project, with appropriate mitigating measures,

would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The U.S. Department of Energy, U.S. Department of Transportation, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency participated as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EA. Cooperating agencies have jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to resources potentially affected by the proposal and participate in the NEPA analysis.

The proposed SPLE Project includes the following facilities:

- two LNG liquefaction trains;
- additional power generation (two gas turbine generators capable of generating approximately 30 megawatts of power);
- other infrastructure and modifications (including five recycle boil-off gas compressors, three instrument air compressor packages, two demineralizer units, one demineralized water tank, and two diesel-powered standby generators);
- modification of terminal facilities; and
- new and remodeled buildings.

The proposed CCTPL Expansion Project includes the following facilities:

- Loop 1, about 13.9 miles of 42-inch-diameter pipeline;
- Loop 2, about 24.5 miles of 42-inch-diameter pipeline;
- Extension, about 48.5 miles of 42-inch-diameter pipeline;
- Laterals, four 36-inch-diameter pipelines of 0.2, 1.7, 4.0, and 11.5 miles in length;
- new or modified compressors at the Gillis Compressor Station;
- a new Mamou Compressor Station;
- four new M&R Stations;
- pig launchers/receivers; and
- mainline valves.

The FERC staff mailed copies of the EA to federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; potentially affected landowners and other interested individuals and groups; newspapers and libraries in the project area; and parties to this proceeding.

In addition, the EA is available for public viewing on the FERC's website (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at:

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Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. To ensure that the Commission has the opportunity to consider your comments prior to making its decision on this project, it is important that we receive your comments in Washington, DC on or before January 12, 2015.

For your convenience, there are three methods you can use to file your comments to the Commission. In all instances, please reference the project docket numbers (CP13-552-000 and CP13-553-000) with your submission. The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments and has expert staff available to assist you at (202) 502-8258 or efiling@ferc.gov.

- (1) You can file your comments electronically using the <u>eComment</u> feature on the Commission's website (<u>www.ferc.gov</u>) under the link to <u>Documents and Filings</u>. This is an easy method for submitting brief, text-only comments on a project;
- (2) You can also file your comments electronically using the <u>eFiling</u> feature on the Commission's website (<u>www.ferc.gov</u>) under the link to <u>Documents and Filings</u>. With eFiling, you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file with your submission. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on "<u>eRegister</u>." You must select the type of filing you are making. If you are filing a comment on a particular project, please select "Comment on a Filing"; or
- (3) You can file a paper copy of your comments by mailing them to the following address:

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Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214). Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision. The Commission grants affected landowners and others with environmental concerns intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which no other party can adequately represent. Simply filing environmental comments will not give you intervenor status, but **you do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.**

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at **(866) 208-FERC**, or on the FERC website (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on "General Search," and enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field (i.e., CP13-552). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

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¹ See the previous discussion on the methods for filing comments.

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